



ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE

MARK MARTIN

September 1, 2015

Dear Educator:

I would like to extend a special invitation to you and your school to participate in Arkansas' Young Voters Workshop, **September 29-October 1, 2015**. It is imperative that we, as leaders and educators of our state and community, encourage young people to vote in free and fair elections so that their voices will be heard in the American political process.

We invite your school to bring a delegation of up to ten students to the State Capitol to participate in our Young Voters Workshop. The method of selection for your delegation is up to you; however, I would encourage a diverse group of students who will be enthusiastic about participating in this learning process and willing to share voter education with their classmates. The invitation is not limited to students of voting age; in fact, we encourage participation by all high school students.

The day's schedule will include numerous activities that are interactive and will emphasize the history and importance of voting. The Secretary of State's office will also host a forum in which students can voice their opinions on current events and issues.

Specific dates are set aside for groups from each congressional district. Activities will begin at 10:00 a.m.; the Secretary of State's office will provide lunch and students will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m. An optional free tour of the State Capitol will be offered at the end of the workshop.

Please fill out the registration form, save the document and then email it by Friday, **September 25th, 2015** to Lauren Jarratt, our Education and Visitor Services Coordinator, at lauren.jarratt@sos.arkansas.gov. Once we have received your registration, she will send you a confirmation email. This will serve as your proof of registration. If you have any questions or problems, please call 501-682-3025.

Remember, as with all other Arkansas Secretary of State-sponsored activities, this event is free and open to all schools.

Thank you for your leadership and support of our Arkansas youth.

Sincerely,

Mark Martin

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Arkansas Secretary of State

